Centre for Responsible Business

About CRB

Centre for Responsible Business (CRB) was established in 2011 as a think-tank to promote and facilitate uptake of sustainable business practices across various sectors in India, supported by evidence (policy & action research), knowledge (capacity building & advisory) and network (multi-stakeholder platform/fora)

Vision

Businesses integrate sustainability into their core business practices

Mission

Create and provide high quality, affordable and accessible resources and services to enable businesses to fulfill their responsibilities to all stakeholders
Thematic Areas
- Circular Economy
- Business & Human Rights
- Sustainable Value Chains
- SMEs and Sustainability
- Environment and Climate Change

Strategic Sectors
- Apparel & Textiles
- Agro-based Industries
- ICT & Electronics
- Minerals & Mining

Operating Verticals
- Action & Policy Research
- Multi-Stakeholder Engagements
- Training & Capacity Building
- Strategic Advisory Services
India and Sustainability Standards

Centre for Responsible Business’s (CRB) annual flagship conference ‘India and Sustainability Standards: International Dialogues and Conference’ convenes a diverse set of stakeholders to dialogue and develop roadmaps across key sustainability issues and industry sectors – in supporting the momentum towards Sustainability.

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Key Initiatives

- Transitioning towards Sustainable Palm Oil
- Sustainable Agricultural Value Chain
- Women Workers & Family Friendly Workplace
- Circular Innovations in Textile, Agri Food & Electronics
- Sustainable Global Value Chains & India
- Regenerative Agriculture
- Business & Human Rights Due Diligence & Impact Assessment
- SMEs and GHG Emission Reduction
- Sustainable Consumption
- FPO - Industry Partnership on SDGs
Members & Partnerships:

- One Planet Network (UN Environment)
- Trade for Sustainable Development (International Trade Centre)
- World Benchmarking Alliance
- ISEAL Alliance
- CSR Europe
- Indian Institute for Corporate Affairs
- Quality Council of India
- Bureau of Indian Standards

Multi-Stakeholder Initiatives:

- Sustainable Palm Oil Coalition for India (I-SPOC)
- Coalition for Responsible Sourcing and Trade of Commodities (CREST)
- Indian Water Stewardship Network (IWSN)
- Indo-Dutch CSR & Sustainability Forum (INDUS-Forum)
- Alliance of Cotton & Textile Stakeholders on Regenerative Agriculture (ACRE)
- EU-India Sustainable Business Collaborative Initiative
- Business and Human Rights Network (BHRN)
- India Hub on Capitals Valuation

Partnerships with Government of India:

- Business Responsibility & Sustainability Reporting Framework. MCA
- Draft National Action Plan on Business and Human Rights, MCA
- India’s Voluntary National Review (VNR) 2020, NITI Aayog
- Working Group on Taxonomy, Sustainable Finance Taskforce, Ministry of Finance
Measurable Outcomes

- Improve **awareness** and **capacities** of businesses and key stakeholders through *knowledge creation, including strategic advisory, evidence based research, customized tools and frameworks to accelerate action*
- Facilitate effective **collaboration** through creation of **dialogue spaces** for multiple stakeholders on a holistic approach to sustainability
- Facilitate and leverage **networks** to drive sustainability outcomes

Objectives

- Businesses are equipped to adopt sustainable business practices
- Contribute towards an ecosystem comprising enabling policies and regulatory framework; accessible and appropriate technology, finance/capital and well-informed business support organizations
- Be a recognised and accepted as a credible voice for the Global South in matters related to sustainability

Long Term Impacts

- **People:** Producers, Workers, Communities, Professionals, Leaders
- **Planetary Resources:** Efficient use of and uniform access to planetary resources
- **Prosperity:** Enhanced competitiveness; improved sustainability performance
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